FORMATION OF HIGHLY DISLOCATION FREE COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTOR ON A LATTICE MISMATCHED SUBSTRATE

Abstract of the Disclosure

A highly dislocation free compound semiconductor, e.g. $Al_x In_y Ga_{1-x-y} N$ (0 < x, y < 1), is formed on a lattice mismatched substrate, e.g. Si, by first depositing a polycrystalline buffer layer on the substrate. An amorphous layer is then created at the interface of the substrate and the polycrystalline buffer layer, e.g. through ion implantation. A monocrystalline template layer of the compound semiconductor is then deposited on the buffer layer, and an epilayer of the compound semiconductor is grown on the template layer. A compound semiconductor based device structure may be formed in the epilayer.